

## Memorandum

Date: December 22, 2005
To: Interested Parties

From: Nancy C. Wrona, Director, Air Quality Division

**Subject:** Natural Events Action Plan (NEAP) Letter – Maricopa/Salt River PM<sub>10</sub> Area

## NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) is requesting comment on a draft letter to Region IX of the Environmental Protection Agency to address National Ambient Air Quality Standard exceedances due to high wind events in the Maricopa County/Salt River  $PM_{10}$  Nonattainment Area. In the event of high wind exceedances of the  $PM_{10}$  standard, a Natural Events Action Plan (NEAP) may be developed. The draft letter describes the five requirements of a NEAP and how the Maricopa County/Salt River  $PM_{10}$  area will address those requirements.

Comments will be taken through Tuesday, February 7, 2006. Comments can be faxed or emailed to: Andrey "Bonnie" Cockrell, Air Quality Planning Section, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85012-2905, FAX: (602) 771-2366, <a href="mailed-cockrell.andrey@azdeq.gov">cockrell.andrey@azdeq.gov</a>.

Copies of the draft NEAP letter will be available for review beginning Friday, January 6, 2006, on ADEQ's website at <a href="http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/air/plan/notmeet.html#phoenix">http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/air/plan/notmeet.html#phoenix</a> and Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, First Floor Library, 1110 W. Washington St., Phoenix, Arizona 85012, Lorraine Cona, (602) 771-2217.

If you have any questions, please call me at (602) 771-2308, or Corky Martinkovic, Air Quality Planning Section Supervisor, at (602) 771-2372; <a href="mailto:dam@azdeq.gov">dam@azdeq.gov</a>.